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Influence of the Parking Commission Plan on Property Interests.

FEATURES OF RECENT TRANSACTIONS

The Progress Being Made Toward Realty Exchange Organization.

MATTERS OF INTEREST

ieved that the plans for the improvement and beautification of the city which will be submitted to Congress by the parking commission will stimulate the interest in real estate. While that, of course, is only one phase of the result of the work of this commission, and one, too, that naturally it did not have in mind, still it is an important consideration to all who have property interests. It is not anticipated especially that land values will rise in consequence of the possibilities that may be pointed out by the commission for changes and improvements in the future, but rather that an impetus will be given to enterprises of various kinds that will tend to build up

It is the opinion of men who have given the subject some attention that there is no need to lay emphasis upon the fact that realty holdings in and about the city have a value now which is likely to be enhanced in the years to come, as that is already a matter of firm and general belief.

Co-Operation of Land Owners.

It is said by some that a tendency to nvest in real estate, with the view of taking advantage of probable appreciation, has perhaps been too manifest in the past. Now, however, property investments are made mainly with the view of improvement. In order to carry out some portions of the plans of the parking commission it will be necessary for the government to acquire land here and there, but as such holdings tend to increase the values of adjoining property, the co-operation of land owners is enlisted. The public holdings in the District are added to from year to year, as the needs of the public service require, so that the government is becoming the principal owner of realty in the District, as well as within that part of the territory which is within the Lounds of the old ur-

A Business Building. The removal of the old building at 1212 F street northwest was begun during the week. It is the intention of the new owner, Mr. Herbert Bryant of Alexandria, to erect upon that site, as stated in The Star, a fine modern business building, which will be planned so as to be suited for the business of Mr. Alexander V. Grimes, who has leased the property for ten years. The new structure is to be three stories in height, and the front, as designed by Marsh & Peter, architects, will be built of brick of a light shade. The price for the property, which was owned by the Talty heirs,

was \$45,000. Col. Alexander's House.

A lot has just been purchased by Colonel J. B. Alexander, U. S. A., retired, through E. C. Baumgras, real estate broker. It is on the west side of Connecticutt avenue between Hillyer place and R street, and has a frontage of twenty-five feet and a depth of 100 feet. The price paid was about \$4 per square foot. It is the purpose of the new owner to erect on this site a esidence for himself.

Organization of Realty Brokers. The committee appointed at the recent meeting of real estate brokers to devise some plan for an organization among those engaged in that line of business is giving a good deal of time to the subject, and is endeavoring to make use of the experience in other cities so as to get all ideas that can be advanced as to the details of such an organization. Owing to the inability of Mr. James E. Fitch to serve on this committee, his place has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Charles J. Bell. The committee, as now constituted, consists of William Corcoran Hill, chairman; Thos. E. Waggaman, Jesse L. Heiskell, Geo. W. Swartzell, David Moore, Robert G. Rutherford, Charles J. Bell and James B. Wimer. A good deal of interest is manifested in the work of the committee, and its report which is to be presented at a meeting of real estate brokers to be held Tuesday is looked forward to with general anticipation. It is the desire of the committee to report a workable plan and one that will

A Sale of Land.

The McLachlen Real Estate and Loan Company, in connection with Messrs. Fitch, Fox & Brown, real estate brokers, has sold for the estate of Joseph Casey to John A. Massie and George S. Rees, trustees, lots 22, 23, 24 and 25, in block 3; lots 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, in block 6; lot 32, in block 11, and lot 20, in block 14, in the sub-division of Meridian Hill, said lots contain-ing 101,597 square feet and having frontages on Ontario avenue, Superior street and Cen-

Marie V. Gehring of Philadelphia has purchased the tract known as Boyle property on East Capitol street extended east, in the District. The property comprises fiftyseven acres, and the price was something less than \$6,000, the owner intends to plat into acre lots. This addition to Washington will be known as Central Heights. This section is developing and improving rapidly.

The property is beautifully located, and acre lots will be placed on the market at reasonable figures.

Connecticut Avenue Property. A magnificent ball room, the largest in connection with any residence in this city, it is said, is to be built as an addition to the spacious home of Mr. Draper, the former ambassador to Italy. In the rear of the house, formerly the home of Mrs. Washington McLean, at the northeast corner of Connecticut avenue and K street, on Farragut square, is considerable space, and it is the purpose to bring out the new addi-tion to the building line on Connecticut

The adjoining house on K street, which The adjoining house on K street, which has been practically rebuilt by Mr. Chas. C. Gloves, so as to adapt it to his own home, will be notable because of the spaciousness of the dining room. This room occupies practically all the space of the large addition in the rear, which Mr. Glover has made. The walls are to have hand-some hangings of silk, which will blend in the color scheme of the wood of the celling

the color scheme of the wood of the ceiling and of the wainscoting.

On the next block above, on Connecticut avenue, is the property which has just been brought by Col. George H. Higbee of Burlington, Iowa. It comprises the northwest corner of Connecticut avenue and L street, having a frontage of seventy-four feet on Connecticut avenue and eighty-seven feet on L street. The total area is about 4,600 square feet and the price paid was \$60,000. Westcott & Story, real estate brokers, represented the purchaser and Ellerson & Wemple, real estate brokers, the owners. Col. Higbee bought the property as an investment.

A Large Stable. What is believed will be the largest pri-

Mr. Thomas F. Walsh. He has ground on the alley back of Massachusetts avenue on the south side between 21st and 22d streets, and under the direction of Mr. Frederick W. Carlyle, architect, there is to be erected there a stable which will have a frontage of ninety-seven feet. There are to be stalls for sixteen horses and space for fifteen carriages, besides coachmen's quarters. The location is convenient to the large residence which Mr. Walsh is building to the southeast corner of Magazanhi. ing at the southeast corner of Massachusetts avenue and 21st street.

Sales of Real Estate.

The sale of 33,000 square feet of land on Lanier Heights to A. M. McLachlen, which was negotiated by Moore & Hill, real estate brokers, will be closed next week. The same firm has sold to Mrs. O'Hare for the Wilson Distillery Company of Baltimore, house 1501 Vermont avenue; for Thos. M. Haslipp, house and stable, 1809 1st street, for \$6,250; for John E. Campbell, the three-story house 1334 W street, for \$65,000; two two-story houses, 100 California street and 1230 H street northeast, and a lot 20x95 feet on Thomas street, Bloomingdale, for \$1,000.

The firm is just closing out the sale of

the last of the twelve two-story houses on U street between North Capitol and 1st streets for Moore and Barbour. Mr. Chas. W. Fairfax of the firm of Stone

& Fairfax, reports that during the month of December sixteen sales of property have been effected through their office, and of this number six were made on the 10th instant. This firm has sold through H. L. Rust, for Robert B. Bloxton, two-story and basement house 1828 15th street, for \$4,500; for Wm. Louder, one of his new three-story houses on Kenesaw avenue, No. 1633, for \$9,000; for M. L. Johnson, the two-story house 1106 Gale street, for \$5,000, and for Henry Austin, the two-story house 518 D street northeast, for \$3,500.

THE INDIA RUBBER TREE.

The Species of Central America is a Plant Murderer. From the Detroit Tribune.

One of the greatest reprobates is the india rubber tree of the Central American forests. It will often begin its career at the very top of a forest giant like the wild fig: it sends forth its thick leaves and pushes its roots down to get nourishment from the fig tree. Gradually, as it obtains the required nutriment, its little roots descend the bark on the outside and get into the earth; it might get its food now from the ground, but it retains its grip on its victim, sucking and squeezing it till it is dead, and the india rubber itself has taken the place of the fig tree, the crumbling remains of which it encircles. With a young and vigorous tree the murderer would have very little chance, but its victim is usually old and consequently less healthy.

In the tropical forests we have the best

opportunities of watching plant robbers and murderers, but we can see many instances on our own islands. The clematis montana is a pretty plant with a profession of white starlike blossoms; its beauty attracts everybody; yet it fastens itself on any tree, and deliberately smothers it, shutting out the air as effectually as a beautiful woman might stifle with a pillow a man who had not returned her love and had fixed his at-tentions on another. You may see a Scotch fir now being killed in this way near Red-

The mistletoe is a notorious sinner; its berries contain a sticky substances for the very purpose of enabling them to adhere to the rough bark of trees-they would not live if they fell to the ground. Once in a cranny of the bark, it develops, throws out roots which pierce the tree and drink in the juice. It is slow death for the tree, for mistletoe does not grow rapidly; the involuntary host is stunted somewhat in its own development and has a hard struggle to find food for both; it is a long and lingering death.

The broom rape is a family of small thieves, the members of which fasten on to the roots of broom, furze, clover and other plants; they are more insidious than most others, as they get at the roots of the plants on which they fatten. It is, perhaps, an example of poetic justice to find that the ivy is one of their victims, for ivy itself must come under the head of murdering plants; it throws its tendrils around trees as well as walls, and so envelops them that at length they are smothered.

Washington's Good Conductors.

from the New York Tribune. New Yorkers who have had experience or the street cars in Washington say that it is the practice of conductors there to give warning to women and aged or heedless men that they should take pains to look out for cars approaching on the opposite track when they are getting off the platforms. It would be the part of wisdom for the companies which control the lines in every borough in this city to issue instructions to their employes to follow the excellent example of the conductors of the District of Columbia, and it would be sagacious and prudent, moreover, to see to it that those instructions were obeyed. Al-most every day in our courts juries are bringing in large verdicts against our street car corporations in suits for damages on account of the deaths or the in-juries of passengers, which in too many cases are plainly due to the carelessnes of the employes on the platforms. If the custom which prevails in Washington were adhered to faithfully in New York the number of accidents to patrons would unquestionably be lessened, and if jurors gen-erally were convinced that the corporations were doing everything in their power at all times to guard against injuries to passengers the average of the awards in damage suits would certainly decrease.

Two New French Caves. From the Scientific American.

Two remarkable caves have been discovered in France by Messrs. Capitan and Breuil, in which the walls are covered with drawn and painted figures of the paleolithic epoch. These are mostly figures of animals, and some of them have been drawn with striking correctness. In the first cave, at Combarelles (Dordogne), the figures are drawn with a deeply engraved line and are vigorous in execution. They include the mammoth, reindeer and other animals extinct in France. In the second cave, at Font-de-Gaume, not far from the former, black lines are used, and sometimes the whole animal is painted black, forming a silhouette, Red ocher is also used in the figures, which are sometimes four feet long. Many of the figures are covered with a stalagmite deposit which often reaches an inch

Color of Scots! Hair. From the London Daily Graphic.

A curious investigation reported to the British Association traces the origin of complexion by the surnames. It was based, according to a contemporary, on an examination of 14,561 school children of East Aberdeenshire, and a calculation of the pigmentation of the hair and eyes for fifty-nine most frequent surnames. The darkest hair and eyes belong to surnames common in fishing communities, verifying the tradition that the fishing population of East Scotland is of Belgian origin. The pigmentation of Highland surnames corresponds closest with that of their districts of origin. The surnames of Wallace, Pirie, Grant, Park and Birnie have strong blond tendencies; those of Cordiner, Cruikshank, Stephen, Strachan, Buchan, Paterson and Whyte are darkest; and Rennie, Scott, Grant and Thompson show most red hair. Aberdeenshire, and a calculation of the pig-

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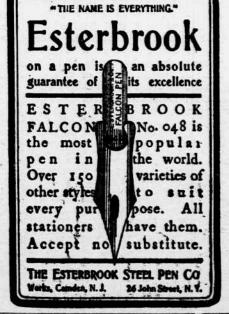
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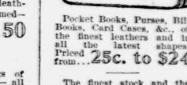
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